



**STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES
PO Box 44470 Olympia, WA 98504-4470**

To: Applicants for plumbers certification examination, medical gas piping installer endorsement or reciprocal certification

A Plumber Journeyman/Residential Specialty/Reciprocal/Medical Gas Piping Installer endorsement application form is enclosed.

To avoid delays in the processing of your application, please use the checklist provided below:

- ☐ Work history on all applications is required.
- ☐ Appropriate fee attached (see below).
- ☐ Work experience affidavit signed and notarized from a registered contractor or union representative. No self-verification permitted. Out of state affidavits must include a copy of contractor license.
- ☐ If reciprocal application, copy of active out of state plumber's license must be attached.
- ☐ If medical gas piping, copy of active PIPE (Piping Industry Progress and Education Trust Fund) Medical Gas Installer's card.
- ☐ Medical gas applicants must have an active Washington State Journeyman Card.
- ☐ Copy of picture identification such as driver's license.

FEES

All applications first time or retest for Journeyman, Residential Specialty examinations must have check or money order attached in the amount of \$111.80 made payable to the Department of Labor and Industries.

All applicants for a medical gas endorsement must have check or money order attached in the amount of \$41.30 made payable to the Department of Labor and Industries.

Reciprocal Applicants:

All reciprocal applicants must have a copy of active journeyman plumbers license and check or money order attached in the amount of \$111.80 made payable to the Department of Labor and Industries.

Once an applicant has passed the examination or been approved for certification under the reciprocal agreement or medical gas endorsement, a notice will be mailed to the applicant requesting an additional pro-rated licensing fee.

Medical Gas applicants who are scheduled for testing with PIPE will receive an approval letter.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OLYMPIA OFFICE TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO REQUESTED EXAMINATION DATE. This allows adequate time to schedule and notify you by mail.

If you have any questions regarding the processing of your application, you may contact this office at the above address or by calling Plumber Certification at (360) 902-5207.

Sincerely,

Plumber Section

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

JOURNEYMAN, RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY PLUMBER OR MEDICAL GAS PIPING INSTALLER

Be sure to check which one you are applying for

Fill out the application correctly and completely. Failure to provide the correct information in all of the appropriate sections of the application shall be deemed sufficient cause for rejection of the application by the Plumber Certification Section, Specialty Compliance Services Division.

PLUMBER EXAMINATION APPLICANTS

The examination is required by regulation (RCW 18.106.050) to evaluate the applicant seeking a certificate of competency for the State of Washington as a qualified Journeyman or Residential Specialty plumber.

The examination is designed to measure your ability in these areas of knowledge:

1. The general knowledge of technical information and practical procedures which are a necessary part of the trade and calling of a Journeyman or Residential Specialty plumber;
2. A specific knowledge of the requirements of the Uniform Plumbing Code with amendments as adopted by the State of Washington and their interpretations.

The examination consists of three parts:

1. Technical and general trade knowledge.
2. Code application knowledge for waste and vents.
3. Code application for water piping.

Note: One, two or more story buildings on drawings for journeyman plumber examination.

The established **MINIMUM** score required to successfully complete the examination is 70% on each of the three parts.

The Washington State plumbers examination is based on the Uniform Plumbing Code. Effective September 1, 2002 the plumber examination will reflect the 2000 Uniform Plumbing Code with Washington State amendments. You are urged to study this publication thoroughly in preparation for the state plumbers examination.

MEDICAL GAS PIPING INSTALLER ENDORSEMENT

Individuals applying for a Medical Gas endorsement (RCW 18.106.010) are required to submit an application, applicable fees and a copy of an active PIPE (Piping Industry Progress and Education Trust Fund) Medical Gas Installer's card to qualify for endorsement. Individuals who do not have an active PIPE card are required by WAC 296-400A-021 to complete a 32 hour training course that has been approved by the department. A copy of the certificate of completion of the training course must be attached to your application to the department. Individuals that are approved for testing will be notified with an approval letter. You must contact PIPE for testing dates and locations by calling 1-800-457-7473.

Inquiries or correspondence may be directed to the Department of Labor and Industries, Plumber Certification Section, PO Box 44470, Olympia WA 98504-4470. Telephone number (360) 902-5207.

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**APPLICATION FOR JOURNEYMAN,
RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY, RECIPROCAL
PLUMBER OR MEDICAL GAS INSTALLER'S
CERTIFICATE**

THE FEE, MADE PAYABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES, **MUST ACCOMPANY THE APPLICATIONS.**

Certificate applied for (check one only)			
\$111.80	<input type="checkbox"/> Journeyman	<input type="checkbox"/> Residential Specialty	<input type="checkbox"/> Reciprocal
\$41.30	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Gas Piping Installer		
Exam Date	See exam schedule		
Name (type or print)	Telephone number	Birth date	Social Security # (for ID only)
Address	City	State	ZIP+4
Have you been certified in Washington previously or had a temporary certificate? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Is this your first application? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Do you have a current plumber trainee certificate? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If "Yes", plumber trainee certificate number			
Name of Employer	Address	Date	
		From	To
	City	State	ZIP+4
Name of Employer	Address	Date	
		From	To
	City	State	ZIP+4
Name of Employer	Address	Date	
		From	To
	City	State	ZIP+4
Name of Employer	Address	Date	
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	City	State	ZIP+4

(Attach an additional list if needed)

Exam applicants must submit affidavits of experience in the plumbing field as follows:

To take the **RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY EXAMINATION**, you must list above and attach affidavits showing that you have a total of 6000 hours experience in the applicable field.

To take the **JOURNEYMAN EXAMINATION**, you must list above and attach affidavits showing that you have a total of 8000 hours experience. A minimum of 4000 hours of this experience must have been in commercial plumbing.

All experience must have been for a registered contractor, and under the supervision of a certified plumber.

Medical Gas Piping Installer: Requires attached copy of an active PIPE (Piping Industry Progress and Education Trust Fund) Medical Gas Installer's card or certificate of training.

I hereby certify that the statements on this application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.(See WAC 296-400A-130 for penalties for false statements or material misrepresentations.)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct:

Date	Signature of Applicant
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PLUMBER'S AFFIDAVIT OF EXPERIENCE

This form is intended to be used for compiling verifiable supervised plumber trainee hours to take the examination of competency for Journeyman/Residential Specialty plumber.

RCW 18.106.020 Journeyman certificate, specialty certificate, temporary permit, or supervision required.

- (1) No person may engage in or offer to engage in the trade of plumbing without having a journeyman certificate, specialty certificate, temporary permit, or trainee certificate. A trainee must be supervised by a person who has a journeyman certificate, specialty certificate, or temporary permit.

WAC 296-400A-130. Penalties for false statements or material representation.

- (2) All applications required under Chapter 18.106 RCW and the **annual** statement of hours of employment required under RCW 18.106.070(2) shall be made under oath. A person who knowingly makes a false statement or material misrepresentation on an application or statement or misrepresentation of trainee certificate may be referred to the county prosecutor for criminal prosecution under RCW 9A.72.020, 9A.72.030, 9A.72.040. The department may also subtract from a trainee's hours, if the department determines the trainee has made a false statement or material representation.

Washington hours will not be credited if you did not have a current plumber trainee certificate.

The following verification must be completed by the plumbing contractor or the union representative. This form should also be signed by the supervising certified plumber.

I, _____ affirm and certify that _____
Please print – contractor/plumber/union representative applicant

Has been in my employ _____
company name/training program

from _____ to _____ performing plumbing work under the direct supervision
mm/dd/yyyy mm/dd/yyyy
of a certified journeyman or residential specialty plumber. The experience was gained in the category indicated below for the number of hours shown.

Commercial/Journeyman _____ hours
Residential/Specialty _____ hours

Contractor/union representative _____ Supervising plumber _____

Registration # _____ Certificate # _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME ON THIS DATE
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE STATE OF
RESIDING IN
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES ON
NOTARY SIGNATURE